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# Council Tax - Further information for recipients of Council Tax demands

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As required by the Council Tax Demand Notices Regulations.

## Annual budget

Description	2025/26 £000	2026/27 £000
<b>Expenditure</b>	540,284	557,600
Contributions and contingencies	9,367	3,328
Levies	475	481
Added to balances	8,061	9,419
<b>Gross expenditure - Council services</b>	<b>558,187</b>	<b>570,828</b>
<b>Income</b>	(475,934)	(484,563)
Contributions and contingencies	(1,655)	(1,904)
Taken from balances	(89)	(429)
<b>Gross income - Council services</b>	<b>(477,678)</b>	<b>(486,896)</b>
<b>Council Tax requirement</b>	<b>80,509</b>	<b>83,932</b>
Number of properties (Band D equivalent)	39,756	39,477
Blackpool Council Tax	£2,025.08	£2,126.09
Police and Crime Commissioner tax element	£277.40	£292.40
Lancashire Combined Fire Authority tax element	£89.73	£94.73

The council's annual budget sets out planned spending on services each year taking account of costs and income. Blackpool Council's budgeted gross expenditure, after taking account of grant funding, business rates income, and other income receivable, results in the level of Council Tax set for 2026/27 shown in the 'Annual Budget' table above.

## Where your money goes

Service	Expenditure %	Expenditure £m
Children's services	29.4%	163.8
Adult services	23.3%	129.9
Community and environmental services	13.1%	73.0
Housing	12.8%	71.2
Treasury management	7.3%	40.6
Public health	4.1%	23.0
Resources	4.0%	22.5
Chief executive	3.2%	17.9
Place	2.0%	11.1
Other	0.8%	4.6
<b>Expenditure totals</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>557.6</b>

## How the costs have changed

Description	2026/27 £m
Blackpool Council General Fund estimate - net expenditure 2025/26	<b>218.1</b>
Pay-related pressures	(0.3)
Cost of inflation	1.6
Service developments and demand pressures	16.5
Increases in funding/income	(7.0)
Prior year non-recurrent savings	1.7
Budget savings	(12.5)
	<b>218.1</b>
Technical changes - special grants transfer into formula, contributions from reserves and contingencies	11.5
<b>Blackpool Council General Fund estimate - net expenditure 2026/27</b>	<b>229.6</b>

## Council Tax bands

Property valuation	Property valuation band	Annual Council Tax £
£40,000 or below	A	1,675.48
£40,001 to £52,000	B	1,954.73
£52,001 to £68,000	C	2,233.97
£68,001 to £88,000	D	2,513.22
£88,001 to £120,000	E	3,071.71
£120,001 to £160,000	F	3,630.21
£160,001 to £320,000	G	4,188.70
Over £320,000	H	5,026.44

## Precepting authorities

Further information about Blackpool's precepting authorities, including their Gross Expenditure and Council Tax Requirement, can be found on their websites:

- [Police and Crime Commissioner for Lancashire](#)
- [Lancashire Combined Fire Authority](#)

## Notes

The increase in the Blackpool Council tax element for 2026/27 (£101.01 at Band D) is based on 4.99% of the 2025/26 Blackpool Council tax element (£2,025.08 at Band D). The increase is made up of 2% to specifically help fund adult social care and 2.99% to fund all other services. From 2025/26 social care authorities are no longer required to show the adult social care element separately on council tax bills and other related documents

In relation to the financial year 2026/27 a referendum threshold of 5% (comprising 2% for expenditure on adult social care and 3% for other expenditure) applies to Blackpool. Blackpool may therefore increase its relevant basic amount of council tax up to this percentage in 2026/27 without holding a referendum.

[footnote]. "Adult social care authorities" are local authorities which have functions under Part 1 of the Care Act 2014 ("adult social care functions"), namely county councils in England, districts councils for an area in England for which there is no county council, London borough councils, the Common Council of the City of London and the Council of the Isles of Scilly.

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